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FORM A.

**Soldier's Application  
for a Pension**

The Commissioner of Pensions reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

*James*  
10-14-23-

Name of Applicant.

*A. W. Roper*

*Anderson -*

County.

*R. F. H. # 2,*

Postoffice

*Frankston, Texas*

Filed

*Jan. 21, 1914*

Approved

*Dec 1, 1913*

Pension allowed from

*Mar. 1914*

Rejected

*George Roper*

Commissioner of Pensions.

E. L. Steck, Printing, Bookbinding, Engraving

*Ent. [Signature]*

FORM A

For Use of Soldiers Who Are In Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson

I, Andrew Washington Roper do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the 53rd Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, 1913, on the following grounds:

I enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that I did not desert the Confederate service, but during said war I was loyal and true to my duty, and never at any time voluntarily abandoned my post of duty in the said service; or (that I was in the service of the State of Texas during the war, to protect said State against the Indians and Mexicans for more than 6 months). That I was honorably discharged or surrendered Surrendered at  
Appomattox Court House, under  
Genl. Robt E. Lee -

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1900, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not hold any National, State, city or county office which pays me a salary or fees of \$300.00 per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to \$300.00 per annum, nor do I receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of \$300.00 per annum, nor do I own in my own right, nor does any one hold in trust for my benefit or use, nor does my wife own, nor does any one hold in trust for my wife, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the assessed value of over one thousand dollars, exclusive of a home of the value of not more than \$1000.00; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, or from any other source, and that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 68 years of age -
2. Where were you born? Pickens, South Carolina -
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1886 - continuously -
4. In what county do you reside? Anderson County, Texas
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address? Since 1886  
Continuously - A. W. Roper, R # 2, Frankston, Texas
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where Never applied before -
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? None What is your physical condition? Poor TX  
deafening hearing and can hardly get around
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? South Carolina -
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted in  
early part of 1863, and served for two years, and until close of war.
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment, or battery?  
Company D, Hampton Legion, Woods Division, Longstreet  
Corps,
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service  
Never transferred -
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy?  
Infantry at first - Later in war called Mounted  
Infantry

13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty?.....

*A Private -*

14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve?.....

*Never detailed.*

15. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home?.....

*\$ 200.<sup>00</sup>*

16. What is the assessed value of your other property?.....

*\$ 130.<sup>00</sup>*

17. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law?.....

*No -*

Wherefore your petitioner prays that his application for a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) *A. W. Roper*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *19* day of *January*, A. D. 19*14*-

*E. V. Swift*

[Seal.]

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[Note.]—There must be at least two credible witnesses.

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *Anderson* }

Before me *E. V. Swift* —, County Judge of *Anderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *O. B. Rogers & J. J. Aldham*, who are personally

known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know.....

*A. W. Roper* —, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the

said *A. W. Roper* has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior

to January 1, A. D. 1900, and that they have no interest in his claim.

(Signature of Witness) *O. B. Rogers*

(Signature of Witness) *J. J. Aldham*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *19* day of *Jan* —, A. D. 19*14*-

*E. V. Swift*

[Seal.]

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(If possible, the two witnesses should have served with the applicant in the army, and, if so, let them, or either, state it in their oath, their source of knowledge; also any information regarding applicant's army service.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of..... }

Before me, ....., County Judge of..... County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared.....

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me sworn, on oath state that they are per-

sonally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in his application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in his claim, and said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And..... further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

*See proofs attached*

(Signature of Witness).....

(Signature of Witness).....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this..... day of..... A. D. 19.....

[Seal.]

County Judge..... County, Texas.

**CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR**

I, *O. B. Rogers*, State and County Assessor in the County of *Anderson* State of Texas, do certify that *A. W. Raper*, or his wife, or his trustee, or trustee for his wife, whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the Thirty-third Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of *\$200.00* Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both of the value of *\$130.00* Dollars.

Given under my hand, this *19* day of *Jan.* A. D. 19*14*

*O. B. Rogers*  
State and County Assessor.



W. H. Austin, last called G. O. Hampton, Legions  
R. V. Acker Private

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of December, 1913

W. H. Sullivan  
Notary Public for S.C.

THE STATE OF North Carolina  
County of Anderson

I, W. H. Sullivan, Notary Public for S.C.  
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that W. H. Austin  
and R. V. Acker are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said  
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of A. W. Roper  
said the witness before named, and

whose name appear signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before me  
and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness

Given under my hand and official seal, this 17th day of December, 1913

(L. S.)

W. H. Sullivan  
Notary Public for S.C.

NOTE.—In Texas, any Clerk of the District Court, any Judge and Clerk of the County Court, or any Notary Public or Justice of the Peace, within their  
respective Counties, are authorized to take depositions.  
Out of the State and within the United States any Clerk of a Court of Record having a seal, any Notary Public, or any Commissioner of Deeds of Texas

File No.

In \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.  
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION  
OF

Witness for Applicant.

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ day

of \_\_\_\_\_, 191

By \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk.

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$

- (1) Here give the name and residence of each witness.
- (2) Here state "and cross interrogatories," if any.
- (3) Here give the name and official character of the person taking the deposition.
- (4) Here state "respectively," if more than one witness.
- (5) Here state whether "Commission, or agreement," if Commission was waived.

Form for Answers

DEPOSITION IN PENSION CLAIMS, with Caption and Certificates.

652-511-1m

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

*A. W. Roper*

*Anderson*

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

County, Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

Answers and depositions of (1) *W. H. Austin, 57 years old Williamston S.C. and R. V. Acker 72 years old Williamston S.C.*

to the accompanying interrogations (2)

propounded to in the above entitled cause taken before (3)

in accordance with the accompanying (7)

To the first interrogatory the said

Witness, answers *They did know A. W. Roper*

*III* ~~They~~ *know him during the civil war and since*

*IV* ~~He~~ *do know the said A. W. Roper enlisted in Co D Hampton Legion South Carolina Volunteer and performed duties there as a private soldier and was wounded several times*

*V* ~~We~~ *do know that said A. W. Roper enlisted in April 1863 in Co D Hampton Legion S.C. in the army of Northern Va and served until the surrender of Lee's Army on the 9 day of April 1865*

*VI* ~~The~~ *said A. W. Roper was not commended as an officer or detailed for any special duty*

*VII* ~~The~~ *said A. W. Roper was under the provisions of the conscript law*

(IX)

Oral interrogations  
to be propounded to Capt W.H. Austin and R.V. Aker.

- I Our source of knowledge is that we served in the same company with him and that we did not at any time know of any other A.W. Raper.
- II I am sure that the said A.W. Raper is the identical person above mentioned.
- III We know that the said A.W. Raper served honorably until the close of the war.
- IV The said A.W. Raper did not desert or abandon his post of duty during the war.



**E. V. SWIFT**

Attorney-at-Law  
**COUNTY JUDGE**  
Anderson County



Palestine, Texas, January 19th. 1914.

Hon. Geo. W. Kyser,  
Pension Commissioner,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I herewith enclose pension application of Mr. A. W. Roper, who is one of our best known and loved citizens. Mr. Roper was with the army of Northern Virginia in the Civil War and fought under General Lee.

Mr. Roper has in his possession a little printed book of all members of his Regiment gotten up by one of the survivors in South Carolina. His name appears on this book as a private, he having showed me the book. This book was printed in South Carolina and Mr. Roper had nothing to do with it. They merely sent him one. He is very proud of this book since it gives the names of all his comrades, and has asked to keep it, but if you wish he will send it to you to inspect, if you should need it for proof of his service. However I enclose affidavits of two good witnesses. I sent the papers back to South Carolina myself and know that everything is genuine. I know Mr. Roper and know that he is entitled to a pension, and hereby join in asking that his application be granted.

Thanking you for your attention in this matter I am,

Yours very truly

*E. V. Swift*  
County Judge.



APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Lawrence

I, J. Mac Baker

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late A. W. Roper, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 26074 and whose original county was Anderson

The said pensioner A. W. Roper, died on the 31 day of August, 1925, in the town of Lawrence County of Lawrence South Carolina

The pensioner died in the home of J. Mac Baker who was related to the pensioner as Brother

That the warrant, which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the expenses incurred by the said pensioner A. W. Roper

I further certify that the warrant for the current quarter has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as (Friend) Brother that my postoffice address is

Lawrence City, South Carolina State

Signed J Mac Baker

Sworn to before me this 31 day of October, 1925

Notary Public in and for South Carolina, State of Texas. My commission expires at the pleasure of Gov.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, J. M. Kennedy, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Lawrence County of Lawrence State of South Carolina

that I had charge of the body of A. W. Roper, who died in the town of Lawrence County of Lawrence State of South Carolina

on the 31 day of August 1925. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 31 day of Sept 1925, and that I am of the opinion that

warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said who makes the foregoing application.

Signed J. M. Kennedy Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, Charles P. Vincent, M.D., do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended A. W. Roper in his last illness, and

am of the opinion that his ailments were Acquired Peliosis

I further certify that I am of the opinion that the Mortuary Warrant above requested should be issued in the name of the aforementioned applicant, in accordance with Act passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature and approved March 2, 1923.

Signed Charles P. Vincent, M.D. Physician's Address Lawrence S.C.

Must return before 40 days expires from date of Pensioners' death

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